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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Please do not let AT&T destroy the competition for broadband. We previously had AT&T service for broadband and phone. They charged nearly \$100/month for a somewhat unreliable service, and they were nearly impossible to deal with when there was a service problem. Fortunately, access to the copper wire allowed Sonic to compete in service, quality and price, and we and many others switched. Sonic now provides our landline and broadband DSL service. They are perhaps the best ISP in the country, from surveys and reports. They are responsive to all queries, protective of personal information, and we have not had an outage for the past 3 or 4 years.

For AT&T to attempt to destroy their business by this underhanded method, rather than competing on QoS and price, is absolutely un-American. If they get away with this, it will cripple Sonic's ability to acquire new customers, keep current ones that are not yet on fiber, and build out its own fiber network. In 10 years most houses will be on fiber -- if AT&T and Comcast are the only providers, we will be at their mercy with very high monopolistic prices and terrible service.

Again, please do not allow AT&T to destroy Sonic and the other competitive ISPs.

Sincerely,

Dan Bloomberg